

Elevated Ideas on the Administration of Justice.

FROM SEVERAL FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES.

From these we drifted into diplomacy and citizenship. I ventured to touch upon Mr. Filmore's visit to Ekrope and his ideas of our foreign relations.

"During my travels in Europe," replied Mr. Filmore, "I was usually treated with courtesy and consideration. But there were occasions when I actually felt ashamed for my country, where the unfriendliness of the American diplomatic and consular appointees was so glaring as to reflect seriously upon the character of the American people, leading to all kinds of embarrassments. Such appointees were simply the subjects of contemptible sneers by the polished and diplomatic minds with whom they were forced into contact. I remember one instance in France. Soon after I had landed at Havre, a French gentleman called upon me at that port. In the course of our evening he called to pay his respects to me. After some conversation with him I became convinced that he was utterly out of place in such a position, and I asked him how it was he had been appointed to the post. He informed me that during the previous administration (before I came to the White House) he was the editor of a small paper some-

men of the time, and, in addition, was an accomplished scholar, reading and speaking most of the modern and ancient languages. I have reasons for believing that my other Cabinet appointments gave satisfaction.

WEBSTER'S ONLY REGRET.

Before Mr. Webster died I called to see him, and, in the course of a long conversation on our social and political relations, Webster said, "There is but one thing that I really regret having done during the course of my political life."

"I asked him what that was," said Mr. Fillmore, and he replied, "I regret that I ever voted for a soldier President. There is no use in saying that my friends advised me to do it; I did not believe in it, and, therefore, there is nothing I can say in that direction to apologize for it." He referred to General Taylor.

THE PRESENT CABINET.

I requested Mr. Fillmore's views on the present Cabinet.

"General Grant," he said, "is doubtless a greater general than statesman; and, perhaps, there should be some allowance made for his want of experience. He appointed a Cabinet with one exception, from men who were extremely obscure.

THE CHIEF JUSTICESHIP.

The question of the amenability to Congress of those recently convicted of corruption and perjury, and the powers of the President, led us to the subject of the Chief Justiceship of the United States. I asked Mr. Fillmore if he knew of any one likely to fill the office with credit to the nation and to the satisfaction of the Bar.

"Cooking has been prominently spoken of," he

The City Court Room in the basement of the City Hall was suitable for a court and the building had been declared by the Board of Health as unhealthy. He asked that a suitable place be provided. The master was referred to the Committee on Lands and Places.

The Committee on Opening Streets submitted a report of the effort of fixing the district of assessment for the opening of Park and between Clinton and Broadway at half a block on each side of the avenue.

Alderman WYLL objected to this assessment, claiming that the people in this section had already been too heavily taxed for improvements. He moved that the report be referred back to the committee.

The motion was lost and the report was adopted.

minent scientific men, artisans and representative men from all countries. Among the Americans present were Samuel Remington,

CONCLUDING RESOLUTIONS. The Congress empowers the Preparatory Committee to continue the work commenced in the first International Congress and to use all their influence that the principles adopted in the Congress be widely disseminated and put into practice. The committee is likewise authorized to endeavor to bring about an exchange of opinion on the subject and to call, from time to time, meetings and conferences of the friends of patent law. At the close of the first and second sessions the committee is appointed to select permanent executive committee, with power of adding other members to their number, and to appoint the time and place of the

wood for Noank, to lie up winter quarters, passed Whitestone yesterday.